

Guideline

Application and reporting for organized activities in Lofotodden National Park

What is organized activity?

Organized activity refers to situations where an individual, company, or establishment plans, coordinates, or arranges a trip involving groups of participants, a repeated activity, or an activity that has been announced/marketed in advance. If the announcement is accessible to more than 20-30 people, such as on your own Facebook page, it is considered public.

To systematize this, we have divided Lofotodden National Park into two zones – Zone A and Zone B. Zone A has stricter regulations than Zone B.

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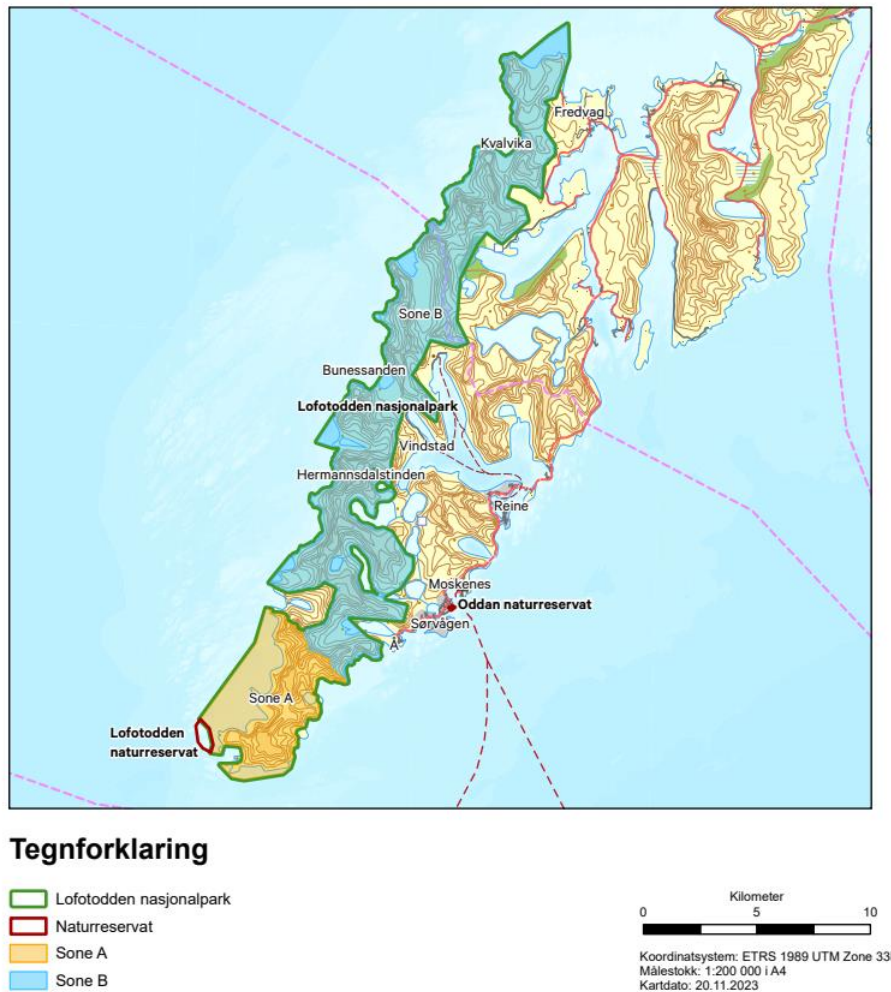


Figure 1. Zoning for organized activities in Lofotodden National Park.

Organized activities that do not require an application and permission:

- Single trips on foot in Zone B arranged by companies, tourist associations, schools, kindergartens, non-profit organizations, or other voluntary organizations with a group size of up to 15 people (group size includes both guests and guides). A single trip means that only one trip is planned within Zone B during a calendar year.
- Repeated hiking trips with groups of up to five people (group size includes both guests and guides) in Zone B.

Organized activities that require an application:

- All organized activities in Zone A, including those within the marine boundaries of the national park.
- Organized overnight trips in tents.

- Repeated hiking trips with six or more participants (group size includes both guests and guides) to one or more destinations.
- Other organized activities, including cycling, horseback riding, boating on lakes, paragliding, climbing, or caving.

Application Form

Your/company's qualifications

- We require information about your qualifications/company, including any relevant prior experiences and tours.

Application Text

- We request detailed information about the purpose of the activity, preparatory and follow-up work, and the necessity.

Does the application apply to:

- A single trip – Only one trip to a destination planned within one calendar year.
- Multiple trips – More than one trip to the same destination planned within one calendar year.
- Multi-year trips – At least one trip to the same destination planned over more than one calendar year.

The following minimum requirements apply to all organized activities:

- A system must be in place to handle toilet waste so that it is not left behind in the national park. Toilet waste must be taken out of the park and disposed of in the nearest public waste container/bin.
- Trash must not be left behind or burned in the national park but must be taken back and disposed of in the nearest public waste container/bin.
- Where there are designated paths, including paved, gravel, or boardwalk paths, or other marked or signposted routes, these should be followed at all times.
- Campfires should only be made at designated fire pits.

Processing of Applications

You can expect a temporary response within 3 weeks. Processing time may take longer if the case needs to be reviewed by the board. An overview of meeting dates is available at [National Park Board | Meeting Calendar and Meeting Documents](#). Please submit your application well in advance.

Reporting Form

Those who are granted permission for organized activities must report on the activity afterward. The reporting form will be sent with an eventual permission. A report is a prerequisite for permission. All reporting must be done using the spreadsheet "Reporting Form for Organized Activities in Lofotodden National Park." Only fill in the green boxes, and all must be completed.

- **Trip ID** – Each trip must have its own row and be numbered from 1 and up.
- **Overnight stays in the national park** – If there are no overnight stays in the park, enter 0.

- **Number of participants** – Total number of participants on the trip, excluding the guide.
- **Type of activity** – Hiking, snowshoeing, cycling, kayaking/SUP, skiing, other (please specify).
- **Remarks** – If you have any.

If you have been granted permission but did not conduct any trips, this must also be reported. Failure to submit the report within the deadline may affect your permission for next year.

The reporting deadline is January 10th of the following year.

Please send it within the deadline to ole-jakob.kvalshaug@statsforvalteren.no.